

7TH INTERNATIONAL GRS-IGF CONGRESS SINGAPORE, OCTOBER 15-18, 2014

A wonderful and productive time occurred in Singapore. Although the weather was hot, so was the science! Congratulations to Professor K.O. Lee and his associates for planning and carrying out such a fantastic meeting.

Below are some facts concerning the meeting:

286 participants attended from 37 countries
68 student Travel Grants were presented
4 Poster Prizes (\$500 each) were awarded

Congratulations to the Poster Prize winners:

Dr Daniel S Olsson, Sweden
Ms Haruka Furuta, Japan
Dr Kevin C.J. Yuen, United States
Dr Daisuke Yamanaka, Japan

135 Abstracts:

52 Oral Presentations
83 Poster Presentations

2 Special Symposia were presented:

"20 Years of Growth Hormone Research"
"IGFs, Insulin, and IGFs in Cancer"

Late Breaking Session:

'Long Acting GH and Novel Treatments for Acromegaly'

We would like to thank everyone who attended, all of our Supporting Members, and those who helped make this meeting a success!

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN DUES POLICY FOR MEMBERS

Starting Jan 1, 2016, GRS will no longer require annual dues from members. Instead, a one-time payment of \$100 (US dollars) will qualify for a life time membership in GRS!

UPCOMING EVENTS

8th International GRS-IGF Congress

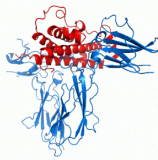
- Tel Aviv, Nov 6-10, 2016 – save the date!



GRS Workshop

Long Acting Growth Hormone

- Nov 4-7, 2015



SUPPORTING MEMBER NEWS

We would like to welcome our new Supporting Members:
Ascendis Pharma, OPKO Biologics Ltd, Teva, and Versartis.

We also thank the continuing Supporting Members (*iDS, Lilly, Merck-Serono, Novartis, Novo Nordisk, Pfizer, Sandoz*) for advice and encouragement related to GRS matters. We value their support and constructive guidance and look forward to an excellent enduring relationship.

GRS COUNCIL NEWS

Elections took place in Singapore for new council members and officers. Here are the results:

New President

Pinchas 'Hassy' Cohen, United States

Past President

John Kopchick, United States

President Elect

Gudmundur Johannsson, Sweden

Secretary

Martin Bidlingmaier, Germany

Treasurer (new position)

Jens Sandahl Christiansen, Denmark

New Council Member

Catherine Seut Yhoke Choong, Australia

Ongoing Council Members

Margaret Boguszewski, Brazil; Andrew Hoffman, United States; KO Lee, Singapore; Juliane Leger, France; Sally Radovick, United States; Rich Ross, United Kingdom

We would like to thank Beverly MK Biller and Mike Waters who have completed their terms on Council.

TWO NEW GRS COUNCIL PROGRAMS

Beverly MK Biller and John Kopchick have agreed to lead two new GRS activities. John will lead a "Past Presidents' Initiative" and Beverly will focus on membership. Several people have volunteered and more are welcome. Contact Beverly bbiller@partners.org or John kopchick@ohio.edu if you have ideas or would like to help with one of these projects.

GH SAFETY WORKSHOP

A "Growth Hormone Safety" workshop was held near Manchester, UK in November. It was organised and sponsored by the GRS, ESPE and PES. A consensus manuscript is expected to be published in 2015. Thanks to Richard Ross, Peter Clayton and the Organizaing Committee who did an outstanding job.

GRS WEBSITE NEWS

Check out the new "GH News Alerts". The current alert is a response to a recent Neurology report on stroke risk after GH treatment. GRS worked with two other societies on this reply and responded rapidly to the publication.

GRS SOCIAL MEDIA NEWS

The GRS Facebook page is "live" and we invite members to become GRS "friends" and to "like" us! 

